

Come, Sleep

Poem by John Fletcher (1579 - 1625)

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Dreamily, with a soft serenity

♩ = 72

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Soloist

Soprano

Mezzo

Alto

Tenor

Bass

mp O come, O come, O Sleep; O come, O

p O...

p O...

p O...

O come, O come, O Sleep; O

Flowingly, and a little slower, with a bit of rubato

4

mf Come, Sleep, and with thy sweet de—cei—ving Lock me in de—

p (humming)

p (humming)

p (humming)

come, Sleep; come, Sleep

Humming should be very soft, on 'mm', 'nn' or a neutral 'ö' vowel; not an 'ng' hum, however, as that is liable to be too bright in timbre. The soloist should sing with a dreamy legato, and as if half-improvising.

Provided proper acknowledgement of the composer is made, this music may be fully distributed, duplicated, performed, and recorded.

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light a-while; Let some plea-sing dreams be-guile, be-guile All my fan-cies,

p
(humming)

p
(humming)

10

All my fan-cies; that from thence, that from thence

13

there may steal an in-flu-ence All my powers, all my powers of care be-

p
(humming)

16 *Tempo primo*

rea-ving!

mp Come Sleep, O come, come, Sleep, O

mp O come, O come, Sleep, O come;

mp Come Sleep, O come, Sleep;

19 *Slightly slower again, with rubato*

mp Though but a sha-dow, a sha-dow, a sli-ding, Let me

come;

p (humming)

p (humming)

p (humming)

p (humming)

22

know some lit-tle joy! We that suf-fer long an-noy. we that suf-fer long an-

p (humming)

25

noy Are con—ten—ted, are con—ten—ted with a thought Through an i—dle,

29

Slightly slower

through an i—dle fan—cy wrought: O let my

32

joys, O let my joys have some a—bi—ding, some a—bi—ding.

36 *Not quite tempo primo*

36 *Not quite tempo primo*

p O...
p O...
p O...
p O come, O come, O Sleep; O come, O
mp O come, O come, O Sleep; O

39 *mp* Come Sleep, O come, come, Sleep, O
mp Come Sleep, O come, Sleep,
mp Come Sleep, O come, Sleep;
mp come, Sleep; O
mp come, Sleep O

42 *rit.* *p* Come, Sleep, O come, Sleep.
pp come; Come, Sleep, O Sleep.
pp Come, Sleep, O Sleep.
pp O come, Sleep, O Sleep.
pp come, Sleep; O Sleep.
pp come, Sleep O come Sleep.